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FORMING VIAS IN MULTI-LAYERED
TARGETS

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DECLARATION OF MARK D. OWEN CONCERNING AUTHORSHIP

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I, Mark D. Owen, declare as follows:

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2. I am a co-author of the Fall 1993 *LaserPulse* reference published by Electro Scientific Industries, Inc. I wrote the text of "UV Laser Micromachining Applications Continue to Grow," appearing on pages 6 and 7, of the Fall 1993 *LaserPulse* reference and provided all of the photographs appearing in the reference.

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